# CONNECTION

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Ha-ha! I'm faster than you!

Children loved the Watermelon Eating Contest at National Night Out.



Kids of all ages enjoyed Willy-Bill the clown.

Central PA Martial Arts Academy gave a great karate demonstration!





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# Captain's Corner

The coolness in the air this morning is a sure indicator that the summer is easing its way into fall. Somehow it seems the summer just flew by. Time passes by faster as I get older, which means

that I am getting older, faster. That is a somewhat disconcerting thought. I have been in command for a year already. The September edition of Connection was the first that I made my small contribution to. In retrospect it has been mostly a good year on the installation. The housing modifications were completed, bringing all of our housing with the exception of four units up to modern standards with the latest appliances and amenities. Money ran out before we could finish the last four units, but we are budgeting to have them done in the near future. Some desperately needed road maintenance has been accomplished and will continue through the rest of this year. The streets through the housing area are becoming a little less jarring to drive on. I know that the maintenance has been aggravating for all who live in housing over the last year, but I am sure that you will agree that the results have been worth the minor inconveniences. The children's pool was completed in time to start the summer pool season. Next year will see the start of a new Fitness Center which will be built down by the Child Care Center.

I would like to welcome our many new neighbors who have moved in over the summer. It looks like housing will be filled to capacity within the next few weeks. Please extend the hand of friendship and welcome to those who are newly arriving in the New Cumberland area and becoming a part of our exclusive, gated, golf course community.

National Night Out and Back to School Night were both very well attended and very successful events. I would like to thank all of those who worked very heard to put those events on and made them the great successes they were. I was a judge for the Chili Cook Off and enjoyed all of the offerings, even though by the end of the competition I was sweating profusely and it had nothing to do with the heat of the summer. I appreciate that the local school officials make the effort to welcome military families to the area by coming aboard the installation and sharing information about their facilities.

Speaking of school, I want to remind everyone to be vigilant when driving on the installation as children are walking to their school bus stops. It has been a fun first year and I thank all of you who are part of the installation for making it so. We are scheduling the next town hall meeting in early October. Look for future notices. Enjoy the cooler weather coming our way. Stay safe.

J. NABER Captain, SC USN Commander

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Welcome Coffee/Tea Tuesday, September 13, 2005 6:30 ~ 9:30 p.m.

Open to all spouses of all active duty military members working within any command or tenant command in DDSP; active duty female military members and spouses of retired military members residing in area.

Enjoy coffee/tea and hors d'oeuvres!

Join us for a fun evening and meet other military spouses. For more information, please call Sook Yee Naber



#### Depot Women's Club

invites you to join us for our

September 21st Luncheon

at the

#### Susquehanna Club

Watch two amazing ladies transform into

"Ho Ho the Hobo"

"Bows"

the clowns.

Social: 11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Noon

For reservations, please call

Allison Wilson at 763-0343

Margaret Strumsky at 763-1714



DDSP Morale, Welfare & Recreation thanks New Cumberland Federal **Credit Union Giant Food New Cumberland Subway New Cumberland** Olde Towne Association **Depot Women's Club** for the tremendous support through FY 2005. Your support is greatly appreciated by the military members, their families and the youth of our installation!

Thank You!

# **DDSP's National Night Out a Big Success!**

Thanks to Manager Sharen Ewell, this year's National Night Out was held in airconditioned comfort at the Susquehanna Club. Over 200 people attended this event, enjoying a picnic-type meal, entertainment by the Temple Guard Drill Team from York, the Central Pennsylvania Martial Arts Academy's youth karate demonstration, Army Recruiting's Sergeant Rambo, "Willy Bill" the Clown, and a police

attack dog demonstration. There were plenty of opportunities to pick up valuable tips on keeping our families safe and healthy. The Health Clinic provided blood pressure screening, and the DDSP Police offered fingerprinting of children. Table displays from DDSP Police, Fire and EMT, and the Family Advocacy Pro-

gram got lots of attention. Delonda Day took first prize at the Chili Cook Off.

Outside the Susquehanna Club, Tracy and Kelly Young from Horse Rescue set up a corral for one of their rescued horses for young and old alike to pet, as well as saddling up some bales of hay for young buckaroos. Our youngsters also enjoyed checking



The picnic was great - especially the watermelon.

out the Humvees provided by TSBN Engineers, who also assisted in making the evening go

> smoothly. At the same time, our military families enjoyed picnic games, music and fun by DJs Terry Shickley and Ron Varner, and tricycle races for adults and kids. The evening concluded with exciting rides in DDSP Police and Fire vehicles.

National Night Out is held at military and civilian communities nationwide on the first Tuesday in August as a crime prevention and safety awareness event.

Based on comments made by those in attendance, a good time was had by all. Thanks also go out to New Cumberland Subway, Giant Foods, and Hershey Park for their contributions of goodies and prizes.



I don't remember this being so hard!



# We're having a great time!

More pictures from National Night Out











# ParentWorks Playgroup

Sep 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Bldg 400 behind the Health Clinic

For military parents and their preschool children.

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# **School Bus Safety Rules**

For some 22 million students nationwide, the school day begins and ends with a trip on a school bus. Unfortunately, each year many children are injured and several are killed in school bus incidents. Approximately 77% of the deaths were because people were struck by the school bus.

Although drivers of all vehicles are required to stop for a school bus when it is stopped to load or

unload passengers, children should not rely on them to do so. The National Safety Council encourages parents to teach their children these rules for getting on and off the school bus.

# Rules for getting on and off the school bus

When waiting for the bus, stay away from traffic and avoid roughhousing or other

behavior that can lead to carelessness. Do not stray onto streets, alleys or private property.

Line up away from the street or road as the school bus approaches.

Wait until the bus has stopped and the door opens before stepping onto the roadway.

Use the hand rail when stepping onto the bus.

#### Behavior on the bus

When on the bus, find a seat and sit down. Loud talking or other noise

can distract the bus driver and is not allowed.

Never put head, arms or hands out of the window.

Keep aisles clear -



books or bags are tripping hazards and can block the way in an emergency.

Before you reach your stop, get ready to leave by getting your books and belongings together.

At your stop, wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from your seat. Then, walk to the front door and exit, using the hand rail.

#### Getting off the school bus

If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk at least ten feet ahead of the bus along the side of the road, until you can turn around and see the driver.

# Make sure that the driver can see you.

Wait for a signal from the driver before beginning to cross.

When the driver signals, walk across the road, keeping an eye out for sudden traffic changes.

Do not cross the center line of the road until the driver has signaled that it is safe for you to begin walking.

Stay away from the bus' rear wheels at all times.

#### Correct way to cross the street

Children should always stop at the curb or the edge of the road and look left, then right, and then left again before crossing.

They should continue looking in this manner until they are safely across.

If students' vision is blocked by a parked car or other obstacle, they should move out to where drivers can see them and they can see other vehicles - then stop, and look left-right-left again.

# **New Archery Range**

DDSP Morale, Welfare and Recreation is proud to announce the addition of an archery range on the lower depot. The archery range is open dawn to dusk. Rod & Gun Club members, Active Duty/Retired military members and their family members, Active/Retired Reservists, DoD Civilians (DDSP/DDC/Tenants) employees are eligible to use the range.

How do I schedule time at the Archery Range?

Individuals must submit a written request to DDSP-PH at least three days in advance. The request must have the following information: Individual name of senior responsible archer; address and telephone number with a point of contact, number of personnel, date and time range is requested. In the event two organizations want to use it at the same time and same date, the organization with higher priority will be given the range.

What are the capabilities of the range? The DDSP Archery Range is an outdoor range for bows and crossbows. The range has three stationary Morel Outdoor targets and a "game" target. The spot will have a minimum of 10 yards to a maximum of 40 yards of space between the target and shooter.

What if there is an emergency? A telephone is provided at the range with a direct contact to the DDSP Emergency Dispatch.

Who provides the bow and arrows? Each shooter is required to provide is own bows, arrows and quiver.

May I bring the children? Youth under sixteen years of age are prohibited from using the range unless special permission is obtained in advance and must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. All children must be closely supervised at all times whether shooting a bow or not. Children are not allowed to run on the range. Non participating persons are not allowed in the area for safety.

Where can I get more information on the Archery Range? Please call Wayne DeWolf at 770-4825.

# Ice Cream Socials

Sponsored by Housing & Family Advocacy Program

September 8, 2005 Garden Avenue & Cherry Lane & Sep 23

All neighborhoods - Community Center

Meet your neighbors! All socials are 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact Kasandra White at 770-8938.

# **Great Day in Atlantic City**

On a hot and sunny Saturday morning, Twenty four people arose early and met at building 2001 at 6:30 a.m. It was a great day for a bus trip to Atlantic City!

The bus got underway and we arrived in Atlantic City around 10:30 in the morning.

The beach, the boardwalk, shops and casinos all beckoned! Some headed for the beach and boardwalk and shops! Some for the casinos! Everyone had a great day doing their own thing!

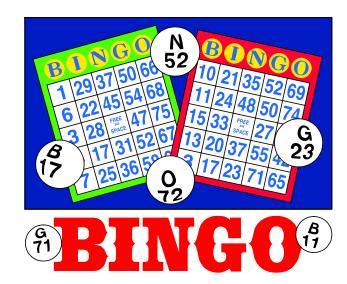
We met at 7:30 p.m. for the trip home and returned to DDSP around 10:30 p.m. after a great time. Whether we went swimming, strolling the board-



walk, shopping or to the casinos we were all tired and glad to be back!

Service members, employees and family members enjoyed a bus trip to Atlantic City, Whether you went to the beach or the casino, it was a great day!

# Basket Bingo



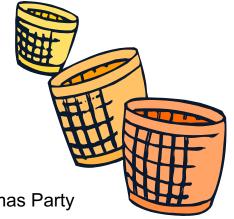
Sunday October 16, 2005

Susquehanna Club DDSP, New Cumberland, PA Doors open at 11:30 Bingo begins at 1:00

20 games of Bingo - Plus Door Prizes Raffles for:

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# MWR Labor Day Hours Sep 5, 2005

Auto Center closed

Auto Hobby 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bowling closed

Child & Youth Dev Srvcs. closed

Defense Dining Srvcs. closed

Family Advocacy closed

Fitness Center closed

Riverview Golf Club dawn to dusk

Health Clinic closed

Housing/Billeting Office closed

Information and Referral closed

Recycling closed

Shoppette closed

Susquehanna Club closed

# **DDSP Back to School Night**

By Richard Pedzwater, Manager, Family Advocacy Program

School officials from the West Shore School District came to the Community Center on August 17 to meet with our military families for the annual DDSP Back to School Night. Captain Jim Naber, DDSP Commander, welcomed the guests and the large gathering of parents and their children. He congratulated the parents for showing a commitment to their children's education and challenged the students to do their best in school.

Representatives from elementary, middle and high schools as well as school district administrators spoke about their academic programs, attendance policies, as well as school bus safety and behavior. School readiness handouts and materials were available for both parents and students. Afterwards, families had the opportunity to enjoy refreshments and meet with the school representatives individually while students were offered a short ride on the school bus as a preview to the school year.

As the school year progresses, parents are encouraged to stay involved in their children's learning and to maintain contact with their teachers.



Children preparing for kindergarten enjoy a story read by Kathy Rauhauser during Back to School Night.

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